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The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A compressor, comprising: a closed container;

a compressor element section housed in a lower portion of the closed container; and an electric motor element section housed in an upper portion of the closed container and including

a stator disposed on an outer periphery of the rotor,
an end plate provided on an end surface of the rotor, and
an oil separation plate installed on the end plate and forming a through hole,
the end plate including a main section[[,]] and a projection projecting from the
main section and fitted in the through hole, the projection including a
projected part projected from the through hole of the oil separation
plate and including a cone-shaped recess with a diameter that gradually
decreases downward on an upper face of the projection, the projection
being partly crushed to remain a portion of the cone-shaped recess and
to integrate the oil separation plate with the end plate, and a recess on
an upper face of the projection.

2-3. (Cancelled)

- 4. (Previously Presented) The compressor according to claim 1, wherein a material of the projection is die casting aluminum alloy.
- 5. (Currently Amended) A method of plate installation, comprising: mounting a plate member on a supporting base plate by fitting a projection of the supporting base plate into a through hole of the plate member to project a top end part of the projection from the through hole, the supporting base plate having a projection with a recess on an upper face of the projection and being made of aluminum die casting alloy; and

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crushing a projected part of the projection from the through hole except for a portion of the <u>cone-shaped</u> recess on the projection by applying a downward pressing force to the projected part so as to integrate the plate member with the supporting base plate.

6. (New) A compressor, comprising:

a closed container;

a compressor element section housed in a lower portion of the closed container; and an electric motor element section housed in an upper portion of the closed container and including

a rotor,

a stator disposed on an outer periphery of the rotor,

an end plate provided on an end surface of the rotor, and

an oil separation plate installed on the end plate and forming a through hole,

the end plate including a main section and a projection projecting from the main section and fitted in the through hole,

the projection including a projected part projected from the through hole of the oil separation plate and a recess of a flat circular hole on an upper face of the projection,

the recess of the flat circular hole has an outer diameter of about 50% of an outer diameter of the projection and a depth of 10 to 15% of the diameter of the projection, and

the projection is crushed to integrate the oil separation plate with the end plate.